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FOR SECRETARY FROM AMBASSADOR

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: OVIP (KISSINGER, HENRY A.)

SUBJECT: MESSAGE FOR SECRETARY FROM PRESIDENT SENGHOR

REF DAKAR 6024, SECTO 27150

1. I HAVE JUST RECEIVED FOLLOWING LETTER DATED SEPTEMBER 17
FROM PRESIDENT SENGHOR ADDRESSED TO YOU:

QUOTE:

DEAR MR. SECRETARY OF STATE:

I APPRECIATED THE MESSAGE WHICH YOU SENT ME TODAY
SEPTEMBER 17, 1976.

AS YOU CAN IMAGINE I HAVE FOLLOWED WITH UTMOST
ATTENTION YOUR SECOND AFRICAN TRIP WHICH I MENTIONED IN THE
INTERVIEWS WHICH I GAVE IN TUNIS AND IN RABAT.

MY CONVICTION REMAINS THE SAME: THAT GOVERNMENT BY THE
BLACK MAJORITY MUST COME TO POWER BEFORE JULY 1, 1978 AND
CONSEQUENTLY IT IS NECESSARY TO PURSUE THE DIALOGUE BETWEEN,
ON ONE HAND, THE FIVE FRONT LINE AFRICAN CHIEFS OF STATE

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AND, ON THE OTHER HAND, PRIME MINISTERS VORSTER AND SMITH.

BUT IT IS EVIDENT THAT THIS DIALOGUE CAN ONLY BE LAUNCHED
AND CARRIED OUT USEFULLY THROUGH YOUR GOOD OFFICES.

PLEASE ACCEPT, MR. SECRETARY OF STATE, THE ASSURANCES
OF MY HIGHEST AND WARMEST CONSIDERATION.

LEOPOLD SEDAR SENGHOR

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2. FRENCH TEXT OF PRESIDENT SENGHOR'S LETTER
FOLLOWS BY SEPTTEL.
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